

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
U.S. Appln. No. 09/826,851

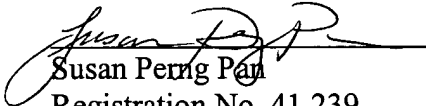
REMARKS

In a One Month Restriction Requirement dated September 10, 2002, claim 22 was objected to for form. To expedite prosecution of this case, Applicant cancels non-elected claim 22 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Entry and consideration of this Amendment are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 22 is canceled without prejudice or disclaimer.